

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA  
AUGUST 24, 2015**

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Monday, August 24, 2015, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

**Call to Order.** Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

**Roll Call.**

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm called the roll.

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Council members:	
Gregory Schnarr	Present
David Prechtel	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Earl Schmitt	Present
Kevin Manley	Present
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Absent
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. Six of the seven council members were in attendance which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

**Pledge of Allegiance.** Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Purpose.** Mayor Seitz said the purpose of the special meeting is to consider an ordinance to increase certain Park Department activity fees for the Beaver Dam Lake and to clarify funding sources for the Beaver Lake Spillway Elevation project [known as project].

City Attorney Renee Kabrick said at the Wednesday, August 19th council meeting, the council took action to contribute up to \$180,000 from the Riverboat Fund to be used towards the Beaver Lake Spillway Elevation project. Thus the funding for this project at that time was:

- \$140,000 from donations
- \$ 50,000 from water utility
- \$ 15,000 from Park “tree fund” [Beaver Dam Lake Fund]
- \$36,775 the increase portion of the dock fees and boat launch fees over a 5-year period
- Not-to-exceed \$180,000 from the Riverboat Fund

The Park Board met Friday morning, August 21, 2015. Prior to the meeting, it was understood that \$15,000 from the Park “tree fund” and the increase in the boat fees and the dock fees over a period of five years, approximately \$37,000, would go towards the project, therefore, three resolutions for the Park Board to consider were prepared accordingly.

Kabrick continued to explain that at the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, Park Board President Roger Seger asked Brad Popp, representing Friends of Beaver Lake, if he had any comments. Popp said he wanted the \$15,000 from the Park “tree fund” and the increase in the boat fees and the dock fees over a period of five years, approximately \$37,000, to be placed in a Lake Management Fund which is different from what was said at Wednesday night’s August 19<sup>th</sup> council meeting. Seger asked Council member Kevin Manley about Popp’s recommendation and Manley agreed, so the Park Board only considered a resolution to increase the Beaver Dam Lake fees for lot rental, boat launch fees, and dock fees. They did not consider a resolution to use \$15,000 from the “Tree Fund” towards the project nor did they consider a resolution to use the increase portion of the dock and boat fees for the project.

Since one project funding option was mentioned at the August 19<sup>th</sup> council meeting and another funding option mentioned at the August 21<sup>st</sup> park board meeting, Kabrick said the council needs to clarify what funding sources the council intends to use for the project. They also need to consider Ordinance No. 2015-24.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2015-24 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES FOR  
ACTIVITIES OF THE JASPER DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
RECREATION –BEAVER DAM LAKE FEES [AMENDING 2002-54]**

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member David Prectel to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 6-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Earl Schmitt and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to read the ordinance by title only. Motion carried 6-0. The city attorney so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Kevin Manley and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2015-24. Motion carried 6-0.

Under discussion City Attorney Renee Kabrick said the fee changes are as follows  
BEAVER DAM LAKE BOAT PERMITS

	Current fee	New fee
NO MOTOR	\$ 15.00	\$30.00
UNDER 10 HP	\$ 20.00	\$35.00
OVER 10 HP	\$ 25.00	\$40.00

**BEAVER DAM LAKE LOT RENTAL**

Current fee	New fee
\$ 250.00	\$350.00

## BEAVER DAM LAKE DOCK RENTAL

Current fee	New fee
\$ 25.00	\$50.00

## FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE BEAVER LAKE SPILLWAY ELEVATION PROJECT

At the Wednesday, August 19, 2015 council meeting, this was discussed for being the funding sources for the Beaver Lake Spillway Elevation Project [option A]

\$140,000 from donations

\$ 50,000 from water utility

\$ 15,000 from Park “tree fund” [Beaver Dam Lake Fund]

\$36,775 the increase portion of the dock fees and boat launch fees over a 5-year period

Not-to-exceed \$180,000 from the Riverboat Fund

If the \$15,000 and the \$36,775 that Brad Popp suggested at the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting are placed in a Lake Management Fund instead of being used towards the project, these would be the funding sources for the project: [option B]

\$140,000 donations

\$ 50,000 from water utility

\$180,000 from Riverboat Fund

\$370,000

It was explained that the estimated cost of the project is \$374,720 so if this option [option B] is used, then the project will be short \$4,720 of being totally funded.

It was also noted that \$148,597 in donations was given to the City for this project.

At this meeting, Council member Randall Buchta suggested the following funding sources for the project: [option C]

\$148,597 from donations

\$ 50,000 from water utility

\$ 15,000 from Park “tree fund” [Beaver Dam Lake Fund]

Balance from the Riverboat Fund up to \$180,000

And

the increase portion of the dock fees and boat launch fees over a 5-year period [approximately \$36,775] be placed in a Lake Management Fund after a Lake Management Plan is established.

Mayor Seitz said the increase portion of the dock fees and boat launch fees over a 5-year period should go towards the project because that is the reason for increasing those two fees.

Council member Gregory Schnarr said he understood the project funding sources should be what was determined at the Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. [option A]. Council member David Prechtel agreed with Schnarr. Council member Earl Schmitt thought the increase in those two fees should go to a Lake Management Fund. Council member Thomas Schmidt said the City needs to fund the project first then at a later date consider a Lake Management Fund.

Thereafter, a **motion** was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to fund the Beaver Lake Spillway Elevation project by using [option C]

\$148,597 from donations

\$ 50,000 from water utility

\$ 15,000 from Park “tree fund” [Beaver Dam Lake Fund]

Balance from the Riverboat Fund up to \$180,000

And

the increase portion of the dock fees and boat launch fees over a 5-year period [approximately \$36,775] be placed in a Lake Management Fund. Motion carried 6-0.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member David Prechtel to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 6-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:55 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_\_ with   X   without corrections or clarification this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2015.

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**Mayor Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer**

**Attest:**

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**Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer**